Amendments to the Claims:

This Listing of Claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application.

- 1-5. (canceled)
- 6. (currently amended) A method for interfacing merchant's credit card processing system with a plurality of payment processors, the method comprising:

storing data input field requirements for a plurality of payment processors, where each of the plurality of payment processors has different data input field requirements;

determining [[the]] <u>a desired</u> payment processor to be used from the plurality of payment processors for a credit card transaction;

retrieving the data <u>input field requirements</u> needed to process the credit card transaction through the <u>desired payment processor</u>;

requesting the data <u>input field requirements</u> from a client to process the credit card transaction through the <u>desired</u> payment processor; and

processing the data through the desired payment processor to process the credit card transaction.

- 7. (currently amended) The method according to claim 6, where the data <u>input field requirements</u> includes both required data and optional data.
- 8. (original) The method according to claim 7, further including reducing the credit card transaction fee if the merchant provides the optional data.
- 9. (original) The method according to claim 6, further including, storing the credit card transaction into a memory.
- 10. (currently amended) The method according to claim 6, further including, transmitting the information associated with the credit card transaction to an accounting package software.
- 11. (original) The method according to claim 6, where the merchant's credit card processing system is a web-based merchant.

- 12. (original) The method according to claim 6, where the merchant's credit card processing system is a point-of-sale merchant.
- 13. (currently amended) The method according to claim 6, further including, providing a template with input fields to the merchant's credit card processing system for the requesting of the data <u>input field</u> requirements.
- 14. (currently amended) The method according to claim 7, further including, providing a template with input fields for the required data and the optional data to the merchant's credit card processing system for requesting the data <u>input field requirements</u>.
- [[16]] 15. (currently amended) A method for interfacing a merchant's payment processing system to a plurality of payment processors each having a plurality of input fields for completing a transaction, the method comprising:

determining the payment processor corresponding to the transaction from the plurality of payment processors;

determining whether each of the input fields for the payment processor is a required input field or an optional input field to process the transaction; and

requesting the required and optional input fields, if any, from a client through the merchant's payment processing system to process the transaction.

[[17]] 16. (currently amended) A method for processing a payment transaction between a merchant's payment processing system and a plurality of payment processors each having a plurality of input fields to process a transaction, the method comprising:

updating the plurality of input fields for each of the plurality of payment processors to process the transaction; and

determining whether each of the input fields for the plurality of payment processors is a required input field or an optional input field to process the transaction.

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[[18]] 17. (currently amended) A system for interfacing a plurality of merchant's payment processing systems with a plurality of payment processors each having a plurality of input fields to process a plurality of payment transactions between the plurality of merchant's payment processing systems and the payment processors, the system comprising:

a memory storing the plurality of input fields for a predetermined number of payment processors, where the plurality of input fields include required and optional input fields, if any; and

a server capable of requesting from a merchant's payment processing system a payment processor to use to process a payment transaction and retrieving from the memory the required and optional input fields corresponding to the payment processor.

[[19]] <u>18</u>. (canceled)

[[20]] <u>19</u>. (canceled)

[[21]] <u>20</u>. (canceled)